**Statement—V**

*Estimates of Production of Potato*

(Production in lakh tonnes)

| State | 1981-82 | 1982-83 | 1983-84 Provisional |
|---|---|---|---|
| Assam | 2·8 | 2 5 | |
| Bihar | 12 3 | 12 4 | |
| Gujarat | 2·4 | 2 9 | |
| Haryana | 1·9 | 1·4 | |
| Himachal Pradesh | 0·5 | 0·4 | 0·3 |
| Karnataka | 1·0 | 0·9 | 0 8 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 3·1 | 2·8 | 3 4 |
| Maharashtra | 0·7 | 0 6 | |
| Meghalaya | 1 3 | 1 4 | 1·4 |
| Nagaland | 0 3 | 0 4 | |
| Orissa | 0 7 | 0·7 | |
| Punjab | 6 5 | 5 2 | |
| Tamil Nadu | 1 2 | 0·8 | 0 9 |
| Tripura | 0·3 | 0·3 | |
| Uttar Pradesh | 43·8 | 44·9 | 57·6 |
| West Bengal | 19 8 | 23·2 | 30 4 |
| ALL INDIA | 99·1 | 101 1 | |

**Statement—VI**

*Estimates of Production of Onion*

(Prod. in lakh Tonnes)

| State | 1981-82 | 1982-83 |
|---|---|---|
| Andhra Pradesh | 1 2 | 1 5 |
| Bihar | 1 0 | 1·0 |
| Gujarat | 3 4 | 3·4 |
| Haryana | 0 1 | 0·1 |
| Karnataka | 2 2 | 2 2 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 1 5 | 1·6 |
| Maharashtra | 7 9 | 7·5 |
| Orissa | 3 0 | 2·0 |
| Punjab | 0 1 | 0·1 |
| Rajasthan | 0 3 | 0 4 |
| Tamil Nadu | 1 9 | 1·9 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 3 6 | 3·6 |
| ALL INDIA | 26 5 | 25 3 |

**Canteens in the subordinate offices of the Ministry of Agriculture**

1197 SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names and addresses of all the subordinate offices of the Ministry of Agriculture;

(b) whether all the above offices are running canteens; if so, the names of the canteens indicating whether these are run on co-operative basis or departmentally;

(c) what wages and other facilities are provided to the canteen employees;

(d) the number of persons who were recruited in all those canteens after the Supreme Court passed the interim orders dated the 26th September, 1983; and

(e) the number of canteen employees who were retrenched after the

26th September, 1983 along with their names, canteen-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Production of lac**

1198. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken by the Central Government to enhance the acreage and number of trees on which lac grows in the tribal belt of Bihar and Madhya Pradesh as the production of lac has gone down considerably in recent years; and

(b) whether Government propose to lease out forest plots to different lac factories so that they can take suitable measures for enhancing the production of lac in their own interest as well as for increasing country's export earnings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) To increase the production of lac Government have taken steps to bring more number of host trees under lac cultivation by providing incentives in the form of healthy, good quality, brood lac, implements, insecticides and technical know-how to the lac growers.

(b) No, Sir.

**Fall in the production of milk in Gujarat**

1199. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that milk production has stagnated or fallen in Gujarat despite maximum financial assistance being given to producers under Operation Flood I and II; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) The estimated milk production in Gujarat for the years 1980-81 to 1982-83 is given below:

(in '000 tonnes)

| Year | Milk production |
|---|---|
| 1980-81 | 2153 |
| 1981-82 | 2239 |
| 1982-83 | 2317 |

From the above it will be observed that there is no fall in the production of milk in Gujarat.

(b) Does no tarise.

**Cases of theft lodged by H.E.L., Ranchi**

1200. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of thefts lodged by Heavy Engineering Ltd. (Ranchi) with the police;

(b) what are the details of these thefts;

(c) what are the number of cases solved and the cases remaining unsolved; and

(d) the number of persons prosecuted so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI PATTABHI RAMA RAO): (a) and (b) Fifty-six cases of thefts were lodged by Heavy Engineering Corporation Ltd. Ranchi, with the police since the re-induction of the CISF from January, 1981 to June, 1984. Total value of property lost/stolen was Rs. 1,46,175.44/- and the total value of property recovered is Rs. 1,09,220.40/- only.

(c) Thirteen cases were solved/disposed off by the police/court and forty-three cases are pending with the police.

(d) One person has been prosecuted so far.